

TeaPartyExpress.org

September 5, 2016

Federal Election Commission
Audit Division
Zuzana Pacious
999 E Street, NW
Washington, DC 20463

Re: TeaPartyExpress.org

Dear Ms Pacious:

Thank you for your patience in my reply to the DFAR and audit findings.

Item 1: Misstatement of Financial Activity

During the time of activity there were challenges with data and the committee is willing to amend reports as needed for this activity.

Item 2: Disclosure of Occupation/Name of Employer

We have significantly improved our process for collection and reporting employer and occupations. We have always practiced "best efforts" to obtain, maintain employer and occupations. We have created a system internally which obtains the information faster so that it can be readily reported at the time the compliance report for said contributions. It is our understanding that no further action is needed on this item.

Item 3: Reporting of Apparent Independent Expenditures

The bulk of the activity was towards fundraising. The communications identified in the findings were for fundraising and not electioneering. The Fundraising solicitations of the committee were not electioneering; they were fundraising for the committee's activities.

Item 4: Recordkeeping for Communications

We provided copies of invoices and payments made; we have had challenges collecting further information from the consultants and email vendor. We have changed our collection process for the details of the communications.

Item 5: Failure to Itemize Debts and Obligations

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Committee Reports being amended:

Regarding Finding 1 and 5:

2011 Mid-Year Report: Disclose additional Unitemized Contributions from Individuals for \$103,315 on Line 11 (a)(ii) . Committee is in the process of reactivating our previous software to complete this amendment.

2011 Year Report/January 2012 Monthly: Disclose additional Unitemized Contributions from Individuals for \$103,315 on Line 11 (a)(ii) – Column B , Also discloses additional items on Schedule D. Committee is in the process of reactivating our previous software to complete this amendment.

February 2012 Monthly to January 2013 Monthly: Discloses additional items on Schedule D, reflects adjusted COH from 2011 Mid Year Report adjustment.

Planned amendment:

August 2016 Monthly: Per recommendation to file on most recent report. Included a note "Adjusted cash on hand balance that resulted from an audit adjustment from a prior period." Have question for reports analysis prior to completing as to how inflation of cash will be adjusted.

Sincerely,



Kelly Lawler
Treasurer